

(6) in a socket (4, 5), and is fixed in relation to the hole (6) by means of a hardenable mass.

P a t e n t   C l a i m s — In the Claims

After "Claims" insert the following paragraph:

What is claimed is:

Claims 1-10   (canceled)

Claim 11        (new): A termination of strands in a tension member, which tension member comprises an anchoring element comprising fibers selected from the group consisting of carbon fibers and aramid fibers, said fibers of said anchoring element gathered into one or more strands, said fibers having a lower shear force and durability than steel, wherein the strands are spread apart in a transitional region, and each strand is inserted into its respective hole in at least one socket, and is fixed in relation to the hole by means of hardenable mass, and wherein a slip agent is applied to the walls of each hole, so that the hardenable mass is prevented from adhering to the walls of the hole.

Claim 12        (new): The termination according to claim 1, wherein a plurality of said strands are each anchored in their respective holes in the same plates so that the plurality of strands are anchored in a socket.

Claim 13        (new): The termination according to claim 1, wherein each hole tapers inward in the direction toward the tension member.

Claim 14        (new): The termination according to claim 1, wherein it comprises at least two sockets, a first socket and a second socket, which are joined together, where the first socket has a smaller diameter than the second socket, allowing at least one of the strands secured in the second socket to extend beyond the first socket.

Claim 15 (new): A termination of strands in a tension member, which tension member comprises a plurality of fiber filaments gathered into one or more strands, in which the filaments run close together, wherein the strands are spread apart in a transitional region, and each strand is inserted into its respective hole in one of at least two sockets, and is fixed in relation to the hole by means of hardenable mass, wherein a plurality of strands are each anchored in their respective holes in the same plates;

said termination comprising at least two sockets, including a first socket and a second socket which are joined together, where the first socket has a smaller diameter than the second socket, allowing at least one of the strands secured in the second socket to extend beyond the first socket; and

wherein the first socket and the second socket are positioned in concentric relationship with one another and are connected via adjoining surfaces; and wherein a sleeve-shaped tightening screw is connected to the second socket.

Claim 16 (new): The termination according to claim 5, wherein each hole tapers inward in the direction toward the tension member.

Claim 17 (new): The termination according to claim 5, wherein a slip agent is applied to the walls of each hole, so that the hardenable mass is prevented from adhering to the walls of the hole.

Claim 18 (new): The termination according to claims 5, wherein a tightening screw is connected to the second socket.

Claim 19 (new): The termination according to claim 5, wherein at least one of the ends of at least of the strands secured in the second socket are accessible at a surface of the second socket opposite the tension member such that there is access to an optical fiber in the strand and that the necessary connecting equipment of the optical fiber can be placed above the second socket.

Claim 20 (new): A termination of strands in a tension member, which tension member comprises a plurality of fiber filaments gathered into one or more strands, in

which the filaments run close together, wherein the strands are spread apart in a transitional region, and each strand is inserted into its respective hole in one of at least two sockets, and is fixed in relation to the hole by means of hardenable mass, wherein a plurality of strands are each anchored in their respective holes in the one of at least two sockets;

said termination comprising at least two sockets, including a first socket and a second socket which are joined together, where the first socket has a smaller diameter than the second socket, allowing at least one of the strands secured in the second socket to extend beyond the first socket;

a tightening screw is connected to the second socket; and wherein

a retention screw is connected to the second socket, that the retention screw is provided with a nut and the nut securely holds the sleeve-shaped tightening screw between itself and the second socket.

Claim 21 (new): A termination of strands in a tension member, which tension member comprises a plurality of fiber filaments gathered into one or more strands, in which the filaments run close together, wherein the strands are spread apart in a transitional region, and each strand is inserted into its respective hole in one of at least two sockets, and is fixed in relation to the hole by means of hardenable mass, wherein a plurality of strands are each anchored in their respective holes in said one of at least two sockets;

said termination comprising at least two sockets, including a first socket and a second socket which are joined together, where the first socket has a smaller diameter than the second socket, allowing at least one of the strands secured in the second socket to extend beyond the first socket; and wherein

the sockets are attached to one another by means of prestressed bolts, which extend through a through bore in the second socket and down into a threaded blind hole in the first socket.